

Dear Co- Chair Winfield, Co-Chair Stafstrom, Vice Chair Flexer, Vice Chair Blumenthal, Ranking Member Kissel, Ranking Member Fishbein, and all the members of the Judiciary Committee.

I strongly Oppose Senate Bill 16.

My name is Peter Estrada and I am a resident of Hamden, CT. Today I am writing to ask everyone to Oppose SB16. An Act Addressing Gun Violence and Juvenile Crime.

I have spent many hours to take the time to understand what is being proposed. I am speechless to what I have found. Majority of what is in this bill is an attack to the people of my community. I can not see how in order to Reduce Gun Violence and Juvenile Crime the answer is to open up the flood gates and allow Law Enforcement Officer to stop and detain people with No probable cause.

Why would anyone want to legalize a tactic that Police Officers have a long history of abusing? I do not know of anyone who would want to be subjected to this treatment. I ask, who will this impact the most? I will help answer this question. Black and Latinos and other People of Color.

How in order to reduce Gun Violence and Juvenile Crime the proposal is not to allow legally permitted firearms owners to ride public transit? Who is this going to affect the most? I will help answer this question. Black and Latinos and other People of Color in urban areas that use those means to commute. Everyone does not have a vehicle to travel.

How in order to reduce Gun Violence and Juvenile Crime the proposal is to ban people with a firearm 250 feet from any event, protest, sit in, march or any gathering of 15 people or more? I had to ask myself, Why this? Is it because last year a group of Black and Latinos decided to March in Hartford for 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Rights while they were armed?

I see a pattern in this bill which I do not like. How all of this seems to be targeted toward people of color while being armed. Please oppose SB16

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